SATURDAY, DEC. 24th 1880 Ex-Governor Thomas A. Hendricks of Indiana, is at Hot Springs, Arkan-

It is suggested that one of the appointees on the St. Louis police board should be a woman

The second annual convention of the Mississippi valley cane grower's association met in St.Louis Tuesday.

Edison was visited at Menlo park on Monday, by the mayor and councıl of New York and gave an exhibition of his perfected electric light which is said to have been satisfactory in every particular.

CHRISTMAS.

For more than fifteen hundred years the 25th day of December has been celebrated throughout Christian lands as the day of Christ's nativity, or Christmas. In different countries and different ages the modes of celebrating this day have varied:

During the middle ages Christmas was celebrated by the gay fantastic spectacle of dramatic mysteries, and moralities, performed by persons in grotesque masques and singular cos tumes. The singing of Christmas carols to recall the songs of the shepherds at the birth of Christ, originated in the middle ages, and in this the whole people participated, even the bishops and lower clergy, and these exercises were enlivened by music and dancing, the father and mother joining the younger people in the dance.

Then the custom of December liber ties, when everything serious was burlesqued came into vogue. Inferiors personated superiors. Great men became frolicsome, and the order of society was reversed for the time, then followed in the Protestant districts of Germany and the north of Europe the beautiful custom of making Christmas a children's festival, and Christmas eve was devoted to giving presents, especially to the children, and in England as weil as the southern part of this country Christmas has for centuries been a season of mischief and merry making, and there was free license to commit any form of innocent mischief or practical joking to which one might be prompted.

In England a "Kinge of Mischiefe' was appointed whose duty it was to conduct the "mischiefe" and merry making. While in our own country during the days of slavery; the time from Christmas eve to New Year wa a holiday, and the colored people held high carnival. They went from plantation to plantation with full liberty to extract all the fun they could out of that week. The air was full of the music of the banjo and jubilee song, the dance continued from the time the sun went down until the "break o' day," and the air was redolent with baked fresh pork and "possum and 'tater." and while the slaves were thus enjoying themselves there was a license among the whites that was allowed at no other time, and the people delighted in playing tricks upon one another, and the whole week was a festival, "apple-jack wine and boiled cider flowed free, while the tables at every house groaned under their weight of delicious eatables, and in the remoter districts a few of the young men with guns loaded with "powder and wad," would start out in the early evening before Christmas, stealing noislessly up to a farm house, would seize a pig or a chicken, and as the cries of the animal would reach the ears of the owner (unless he was expecting something of the kind) he would rush to the door to be met by a volley from the heavily powder charged guns and pistols of the boys, followed by their merry shouts. They were then invited in and treated to the best the house afforded, when after resting, with accessions to their number, they would again start upon their rounds, and this would sometimes be kept up until the early dawn. But if the house to be surprised happened to be looking out for something and got the first shot, then the joke was turned upon the raiders, and they were to

But while all this enjoyment was going on in the south and west, in the east, among the puritans, where a man was not; allowed to kiss his wife on Sunday, there could terribly solemn time. But times have many of the states. The beautiful myth of Santa Claus (St. Nicholas) was introduced into this country by the Dutch settlers in New York and now either he or Kris Kringle on each Christmas night visits all portions of ones. Yet there is always danger of countries only to pay for com- 1.90.

The Weekly Graphic. some of those bright eyed little girls modities or services sold to the government. thing to cheer their hearts; let those not be forgotten by such as are able from their abundant store to make the greater if you spend \$25 quietly hoarding is rumous in its tendency. among the poor of your town to brighten their homes, than if you give \$50 to some other purpose that your name may be published to the world as liberal or charitable men or women. Forget for to-night and to-morrow the many years that have passed since we were children, let us be children again. We ought to be able to go farther than

even Holmes, who sang long ago: "O, for one hour of youthful joy, Give back my twentieth spring, I'd rather shout a fair haired boy, Than reign a gray haired king."

and then we can enter into the spirit of the little folks, and make many of them, happy for at least one day. let the Christmas festival be made a joyous

MONEY-GOLD AND SILVER.

The financial history of the last 20 years has thrown great light on the subject of money. It has exposed many fallacies, and ought to correct many popular errors. We propose to exhibit some of these mistaken notions in the light of history.

The first-that money is a creature of the government. This error lies at the foundation of the whole fabric o financial follies that have cursed this country as well as others. This government as well as all others found money already in existence, facilitating the exchanges of business. And from the days of Abraham until the present, with rare exceptions, gold and silver prior to and independent of legislation has so established these met als to fill the functions of money that a change ot usage by legislation imperils commercial interests at once. Our fathers recognized this settled and imperative custom of commerce by providing in the constitution that congress should silver coin a tender in payment of and recomendations in the premises, debts. All modern governments found gold and silver serving as the money of commerce just as they found wheat serving for food, and it is quite as easy shall live on paper for food, as that Nebraska and Walter Allen, of Mas-by: 18@22c for northern. above governmental regulation.

Another error is that coining imparts value to gold and silver. It must be ing a dollar of gold is only a certificate badly wounded. this piece contains a certain number of grains of a given fineness, that is, that there is a dollar's worth of gold in this coin. The only advantage gained then, is that the price of a commodity exchanged for gold or silver can be counted in the certified pieces and save the time and labor of weighing the money in every transaction. Many out with care when making his urwith coined gold, though the value in

not always of the same relative value. "In Japan it was till 1860 as 1 to 4, since then as I to 13 1-2."-PERRY.

Ours is more largely a silver pro-

ducing country tending to make silver more plenty and therefore more cheap substance that if these are made out on than gold. A sufficient reason, this, why our silver dollars should have more silver in them, that they may be whereas, if made on unprinted paper dollars indeed. We have further illustrations and proof of the importance of government to beneficially change the laws of trade that represent and crystalize long usage, in the futile effort to send out in the channels of trade depleted and dishonest silver dollars. It is as universal as the exchanges of commerce that the best money goes abroad first. So if we are entitled to the "blue card," or card would get our silver coinage into circulation we must make our dollars be seen but little propriety in merri-ment on Christmas, but it must be a gold will go abroad and the depreciachanged since then, and Christmas foreigner 100 cents value in gold for imports, and our home laborers 88 1-2 cents for a dollar's worth of his pro-

of our silver dollars. Lastly, let it be remembered that R. F. Bumpass. 1.50; C. T. Rice, 1.50; the government circulates its coin on- R. F. Church, 50; J. R. Fowler, 1.50; Christmas night visits all portions of our country, and brings a world of joy and happiness to the hearts of the little That money goes to foreign \$23,00. Herewood on book subscriptions

and boys being missed, because their ernment or her citizens. And that immediate friends and relatives are not these exchanges are made for mutual able to remember them with some- profit. That he who sells for money is no more benefitted than be who buys. It is by money and all other commodities exchanged, circulated,

Very True, Henry

Go train yourself in hardship's school Go plow some stubborn acre— The boy that rode a toe-path mule Is now a cabinet-maker.

> GREENBACK IDIOTS. [St. Louis Republican.]

Iowa was only second to Missouri n its harvest of Greenback idiots at the late election, but the extraordinary large vote for Weaver in that State does not evince quite so great a depth of imbecility as the larger greenback vote in this State.

The bulk of the Greenback voters ot Missouri were formerly democrats; have succeeded in getting quite a numand as they had nothing to lose or ber of young ladies to open their housgain by voting as their convictions as to us on New Year's day. The dictated, it is to be assumed that they were honest in their convictions. We of this matter rests with us, "boys. imagine they appreciate the compli- Let us do our duty. Let each and evment paid them by the leading demo- ery one of us procure for himself suitacratic paper of the State. in styling ble cards, (which will be gotten up at them idiots-and, considering the un- and call upon the girls. We have perstinted abuse heaped by every demo- suaded the girls to take the initiative cratic speaker, during the campaign, in this matter. Let not it be said that from Cockrell to Knott, we cannot but it was a failure because of us. Let evacknowledge that if they return to that ery young man who cares for the rep effete party the title conterred on them by the Republican will be no misnomer.-Glenwood Criterion.

The recent public discussion and agitation of the case of the Ponca Indians has received the serious attention of the President, and he has dehave served all civilized peoples as cided to send a Commission to that Morgan, is still at large. money. This usage of all nations tribe to ascertain what ought to be done in their behalf. The members of this Commission will be requested to proceed to the Indian Ter., as soon as may be, and after conference \$4 75@5 00, family \$4 50@5 65. with the Poncas, to ascertain the facts in regard to their removal and present No. 3 red at 93460 94, No. 4 871/2 condition, so far as is necessary to de- Mediterrean 95, termine what justice and humanity require should be done by the Government of the United States in regard to never make anything but gold and them, and to report their conclusions

This commission will consist of five persons, three of whom are suggested by a committee formed in Boston to organize measures for the relief of the Dairy—Fancy 30; choice 26@27: medi-Poncas. These three are Gen. George um 12½@15; prime 17@18; low grade and sensible to enact that the people Crook, U. S. A.; Bishop Clarkson, of 12@16; and near-by make 17@18, top they shall use fiat money only in busi-ing members will not be announced ness. This is one thing that is quite until the President has ascertained whether they will consent to serve.

Some Virginia Ku-Klux met with borne in mind that value exists also an unexpectedly warm reception at quite independent of legislative enact- the hands of one of their victims in ment. The government's stamp coin- Scott county. Three of them were

> THE Globe Democrat eulogizes Gov. Phelp's administration of state affairs, and says that he has proved to be a better man than his party.

Gov. Long, in answer to Secretary Schurz' recent letter in regard to the Ponca Indians; says he does not conare living in our midst who have prac- sider that the secretary presented a tically realized this convenience. The fair, candid statement, and asserts: miner with his gold dust must weigh it "The department of the Interior, with you at its head, responsible for its chases of food, raiment and tools, finds it conduct, and kept informed of its pro-homes and lands to which you know exchange is not increased by the coin- their title was beyond the shadow of a question; and that you did this against It follows, therefore, that the value, their consent, in violation of the law, or purchasing power of gold and silver congress, and dictates of humanity, will depend upon the supply of these employing for the purpose a company metals in the world. This is so uni- of soldiers, and as you now add, four form that there have been but two companies of cavalry." Testimony is marked changes affecting the whole cited to show that the Poncas did not commercial world, in a thousand years consent to give up their homes and re-One in the sixteenth, and the other in move to the Indian territory, and the the middle of the present century. Governor declares with considerable 16 But all nations having a bi-metalic emphasis that the responsibility rests standard find that gold and silver are with the present and previous administrations of the Interior department.

-Carrolton Democrat: By the last decision, business men can actually make money by getting their bills and statements printed. The law-now says in paper that is printed on the head, they can be sent through the mail for one cent, the envelope being unsealed. they will cost three cents. Thus by patronizing the printer, two cents can is sent through the mails, and that will more than pay the cost of blanks.

Primrose School.

We regret that the following was overlooked in making up our last issue: The following pupils have made an average of 90 or more in scholarship portment for the last month; and of honor: Morton McIntosh, Willie Cain, Jacob Brawner, Willis Wasson, Ellen Cain, Jennie Jones, Oliver Cain. N. L. Page, Teacher.

The following amounts have been received on subscription since the last

James Wimber, 1,50: Geo. Robinson, 1.50; Fred Brenze, 1.50; G. W. Grimm, products, this being the relative value 1.50; T. A. Morrow, 1.50; D. P. Huston 1.50; Lizzie Page, 1.50; W. Fout, .75; W. G. Mahaffy, 1.50; W. E. Newton, 70

A Word to the "Boys."

The advent of New Year's day, has renewed in me a heart-felt shame on behalf of the young men and young ladies of our town. Why should our town, foremost in most enterprises of little ones happy. Your reward will be and used that wealth is increased: business or pleasure, and justly priding herself in being up with the age, and equalling or surpassing all the towns of North missouri have paid so little artention to the observance of this day. I venture the assertion that in every town of North missouri of the size of Kirksville, or even smaller, observes the time honored custom of New Year calling, the ladies keeping open houses, and their gentlemen friends calling upon them and leaving cards and passing the compliments of the seasor.

1, as well as one or two others have agitated this matter before, and will now have hopes of removing this very pregnant cause of sneering remarks on the part of our neighbors. In conjunction with the very genial and wide awake proprietor of the Graphic, we names of these will be found in this is sue of the Graphic. Now the success the GRAPHIC office in the best of style) utation of our town take heed to this.

ONE OF THE BOYS.

Mel Haines and Hosey Deval were arrested at Louisiana, Mo., yesterday; beside another of a gang of four charged with the murder of a Swedish farmer in Minnesota. The fourth, Bob

THE MARKETS.

Sr. Louis, Dec. 22d. FLOUR.—Fancy \$5 20@5 45, choice Wheat.-No. 2 red 964 @97с

Corn.-No. 2 mixed 3714 Oats.-29@30

RYE .- 83@85. HAY .- Prairie 11 00@12 00, mixed 13.50 prime timothy 14 00@14 50, choice 15 50@17 50.

BUTTER.-We quote: Creamery-Fancy, 27 choice 31to32, seconds 30@31. EGGS.—Sales of choice marks at 27.

HOGS.

To-day the weakness spoken of characterizing last evening prevailed. We quote : packers \$4 40 to 4 60 : butchers \$4 72 to 4 85 : light 4 10 to 4 25 heavy shippers, 4 50 to 4 75.

CATTLE.			and the
Choice native steers \$	1	25to5	00
Prime native steers, average			
1.400 to 1,500 lbs	1	00to5	25
Good to prime steers, av. 1,-			
100 to 1.850 fbs	3	50to4	50
Common to good grass steers:	3	50to4	00
Good to prime native feed-			- 1
ing steers, av. 1,000 to 1,-			
200 lbs, nominal		3	50
Fair native stock steers, av.			

Good to prime native cows Common to fair native cows 3 00to3 50 Fair to good corn fed Texan

Common to good grass Texans 2 15to3 25 HOUSES. Common Plugs...........\$20 to 30

Southern Plantation, extra	SO to	100
Streeters	75 to	8
Saddle horses, common,	90 to	100
Saddle horses, good	90 to	100
Saddle herses, extra	135 to	160
Drivers		
Drivers, good to extra	100 to 1	150
Heavy draft, 1300 to 1350 lb.	110 to 1	125
" extra 1400 to 1450	140 to	160
MULES.		
14 hands \$	60 to	70
141/4 "	90 to 1	10

Kirksville Markets. Carefully corected up to Friday morning of

" sugar cured or canv...

Lard per lb...

Tallow per lb...

Butter " Eggs per doz

Beans, per bushel ...

Apples —dried pr lb...

Apples green bu Apples, green bu..... Potatoes per bushel . . 35 to 50e WOOL, HIDES, FURS AND PEATHERS. Feathers, per lb Wood per cord \$2 to 2 50 CROCERTES N. O. Sugar..... Powdered sugar.... Coffee, Rio

Java

Tea—Imperial

—Oolong " —Gun Powder GRAIN. Oats, per bushel.....

Hungarian Seed, 40c; Millet 40c; Timothy LIVE STOCK. Hogs, per hundred pounds, 3 50 to 4 60; Cattle per hund, lbs. 2 25 to 2 5d. Calves per 189 lbs \$3 to 4 00. Sheep per nead, 2 00 to 3 50.

HAY. Timothy, per ton, \$8 00; Prairie; do \$5 50 Hungarian, do \$5 00 · Millet do \$5 00. PANIC PRICES:

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DONEGHY BROS.

WILL SELL YOU

A Man's heavy boot	for			1		_	1	75
Boy's heavy boot, six		to 5					1	25
Ladies' fine grain s				-	-		1	00
	66	side 1	aced s	hoe	-		1	00
" " kid	66	66	"			•	1	50
" " St. Loui	s cus	tom m	ade,	grain	side	lace	е,	
solid leather -					•		1	75
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Children's boots		: :			:	:	1	00
Men's buck gloves			-					90
Genuine oil tanned l	buck	gloves	•	•		•	1	25
Men's wool hats, 50	cents	wort	81	00: M	fen's	fur	h	ats
for 50 and 75 cents, so								

Remember that this is a

The best \$3 00 boot in America.

CLOSING DUT SALE,

AND WILL NOT LAST ALWAYS!

Bring this paper with you, and ask to see the goods. We would give prices on other goods, but space prevents.

DONEGHY BROS., Cash House,

freshments during the evening, but the \$5,000 for injuries received in one of MONDAY, THE STH DAY OF JANY, 1881, 800 to 950, nominal ... 2 40to2 90 nicest part of the whole thing will be their yards last summer. that every little girl and boy belonging to school may look out for some kind of a present and then of course they will all be happy. Every body invited. Extra efforts have been made to make the evening an enjoyable one for all.

M. E. CHURCH SOUTH.

From a little talk we had with a that church have been meeting in quiet places, and putting their heads gether, trying to arrange for a good time, we feel confident there will be NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT. lots of happiness there to-night.

esting exercises and presents to all the Manuel Patterson, deceased, that I, Pechildren, but the crowning beauty will ter Brownell, administator of said esbe a christmas temple handsomely illuminated. Everybody invited to be Court of Adair county, to be hetd at present and help enjoy the occasion.

Kirksville on the 7th day of Febuary.

There will be singing by the little folks and their pleasant exercises. There Saltriver township, and posted before will be two Christmas trees and a fish L. W. Link, a Justice of the Peace in pond, and Santa Claus has promised to Benton township, of Adair county, on Young chickens, per dozen...

St 15 to 1 25

Chickens, per doz. Old...

Bacon—shoulder, per Ib...

"—clear sides "

" Country hams...

St 15 to 1 25

be there in person with his long gray the 10th day of December, 1880, two red and white yearling steers marked swallow fork in the right and under swallow fork in the right and under lateral states has promised to Denton township, of Adair country, on the 10th day of December, 1880, two red and white yearling steers marked swallow fork in the right and under lateral states has promised to Denton township, of Adair country, on the 10th day of December, 1880, two red and white yearling steers marked swallow fork in the right and under lateral states has promised to Denton township, of Adair country, on the 10th day of December, 1880, two red and white yearling steers marked swallow fork in the left ear, no other marks or the presents himself and with his well bit in the left ear, no other marks or known love for children, we may rest brands perceivable. Appraised by assured that every child who belongs to Charles Kennedy and John the Sunday school will be remembered at \$15 each. Before L. W. Link, J. P., old past, some white spots on the left by him. A very pleasant time generally 1880. L. W. Link, J. P. forehead, marked with a crop or freeze is anticipated and everybody invited.

C. P. CHURCH.

At the C. P. church there will be scriptural regitations, music and other interesting exercises. The evening entertainment will close with a feast. A 10 to 55c pleasant time is expected and all invit-

PRESBYTERIAN CRUBCH.

be a Christmas tree, Christmas songs and recitations by the members of the Sunday school. The presents will be in the shape of sweetmeats, candies. etc., 30 to 35c the shape of sweetmeats, candies. etc., 50 to \$1.00 and a general good time may be expect-75 to 1 25 | ed, and the bright eyed little boys and 65 to \$1 00 girls all happy. A general invitation is 20 to 25 given.

and a good time is promised and everybody invited.

music, recitations, reading and presents followed by the light fantastic.

sued the H. & St. Joe railroad for for each, at public auctio

Stray Notice.

Taken up by James Campbell, of Benton Township, and posted by A. Shepherd, a justice of the peace Benton township of Adair county. the 8th day of December 1880 one light colored heifer two years old, some spots on sides, red ears. No other marks or From a little talk we had with a brands perceivable. Appraised by representative of old Santa Claus, and David Herron and Geo. Herron sixteen

A. L. SHEPHERD, J. P. For Benton twp.

Notice is hereby given to all creditors There will be songs and other inter- and others interested in the estate of tate, intend to make final settlement thereof at the next term of the Probate PETER BROWNELL

Admr. Stray Notice. Taken up by Lucinda Greenstreet, of

For Benton Twp.

KIRKSVILLE

GRANGE STORE! C. E. LEECH, Manager,

EEPS constantly on hand

BEST GROCERIES At the Presbyterian church there will Queensware, Wood, Glass and

Stoneware! at lowest eash prices. Deals in all kinds of produce, pays cash or goods. North side of Square, Godfrey building.

Stray Notice.

At the Christian church the exercises

At the Christian church the exercises the peace in Polk township of Adair will be much as they will at the C. P. 1880 one page 1881. 1880, one yearing steer, color dark red Marked with an underbit, hole in and James J. Clark, J. P. the sum of For Polk twp. 29th, 1880.

Santa Claus and the Children.

A rich treat is remained at the different churches for ittle folks to-night and Santa Claus will have to be pretty lively or employ a number of deputies to enable him to do all he has engaged to do. But he is a jolly, lively old fellow, who dearly loves the children, and we have the confidence to believe he will manage by some means to meet every engagement, and make everybody happy.

At the first Baptist church a rich treat is promised. There will be concert exercises and recitations by the members of the Sunday school, also refreshments during the evening, but the sunday of the sunday of the sunday of July, 1877, and recorded in the recorder's office of Adair county, at deed of trust book "J," page \$2, conveyed to Philip M. Smith, Sheriff of Adair county, Missouri, all their right, title, interest and estate in and to the following described real estate situated in the county of Adair, State of Missouri, viz: The northwest quarter of section sunder thritten, (13.) in township number slay, which said conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of a certain promisery note in said deed described, and, whereas, the said note, I shall proceed to sell the above described real estate at the Court House door in the town of Kirksville, in the county of Adair, State of Missouri, viz: The northwest quarter of section sunder thritten, (13.) in township number slay, which said conveyance was made in trust to secure the payment of a certain promisery note in said note has become due and remains unpaid, and, whereas, Phillip M. Smith is no longer sheriff of Adair county, Missouri, pow, therefore, in accordance with said note, I shall proceed to sell the above described real estate at the Court House door in the town of Kirksville, in the county of Adair, Smith and to the following the eventual proceed to be said note, I shall proceed to sell the above described real estate in and to the following the county, Missouri, all their right, title, interest and estate in and to the following t

between the hours of nine in the forenoon and five in the afternoon of that day, to satisfy said note, together with the cost and expense of executing this trust.

JOHN SHAVER,

Sheriff and Trustee Dated this 18th day of December, 1880.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT. Notice is hereby given to all creditors and others interested in the estate of James Johnson, deceased, that I. Frances Johnson, sec-utrix of said estate, intend to make final set-tlement thereof at the next term of the Pro-bate Court of Adair county, to be held at Kirksville on the 7th day of February, 1881, FRANCES JOHNSON,

Stray Notice.

Taken up by James V. Nelson, and posted before L. W. Link, a justice of the peace in Benton township, of Adair county on the 29th day of November, 1880, two cows, one white with dark ears and small dark spot on the left hip supposed to be nine or ten years old, marked with a crop off each ear.

Also one red roan cow with no marks or brands perceivable. Supposed to be three years old. Appraisedby John G. Kirk & John H. McCartney, the first at \$13 00 and the other at \$15 00.Nov. 29th L. W. LINK, J. P. For Benton twp.

Stray Notice.

Taken up by John Osborn, of Pettis Tp., and posted by L. W. Link, a justice of the peace in Benton township, of Adair county, on the 1st day of Decem-Greenstreet ber, 1880. One red heifer, two years Link, J. P., old past, some white spots on the left forehead, marked with a crop or freeze off the right and the appearance of an under slot off the left ear. No other marke or brands perceivable. Appraised by Robert L. Bell and Lysander 0. Hollcroft at \$15, before me, Dec. 1st. L. W. Link, J. P. For Benton Twp.

Stray Notice.

laken up by John R. Adkins, living in Benton township, in Adair county Missouri, on the first day of December, A. D. 1880, one roan filly, fourteen hands high and supposed to be two years old. Appraised at forty dollars by George

Stuart and Joseph Adams. JOSEPH S. MOTTER,

Stray Notice. .

Taken up by William Craig, of Benton township, and posted before L. W. Link. a justice of the peace in Benton township, of Adair county, on the 29th day of November, 1880. One white and red steer, 2 years old past, marked with Marked with an undersit, note in and crop off the right ear and swallow fork in left ear. Appraised at sixteen dollars by N. O. Paulson and A. Buckailew. by Ira Suyder and J. W. Brashear at JAMES J. CLARK, J. P.

Marked with an undersit, note in and the appearance of a crop off of each ear and no brands perceivable. Appraised by Ira Suyder and J. W. Brashear at the sum of \$20, before me, the sum